



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	PATENT APPLICATION
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING
CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION UNDER
37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)

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Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment accompanies a Continued Prosecution Application Request and Transmittal Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) and responds to the final Office Action dated November 3, 2000 in the above-identified application.